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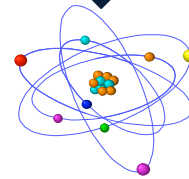
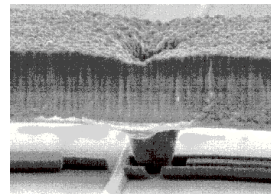
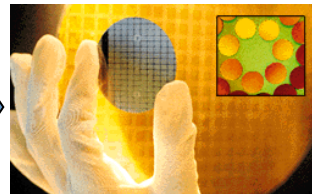
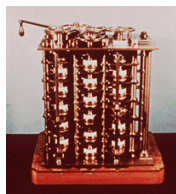
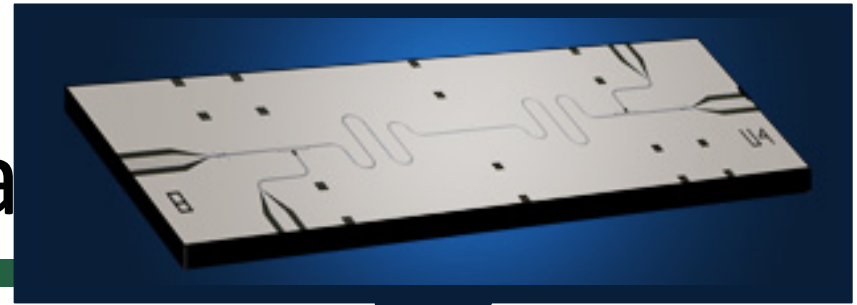
# Quantum information as high-dimensional geometry

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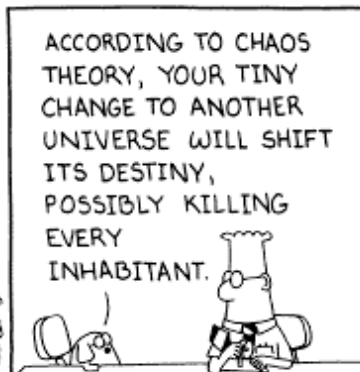
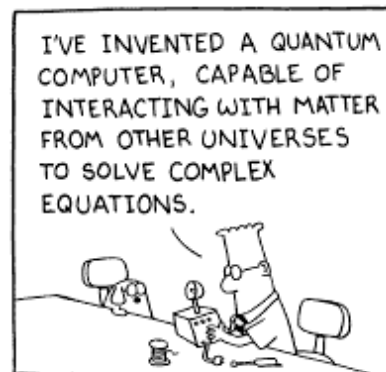
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# Motiva



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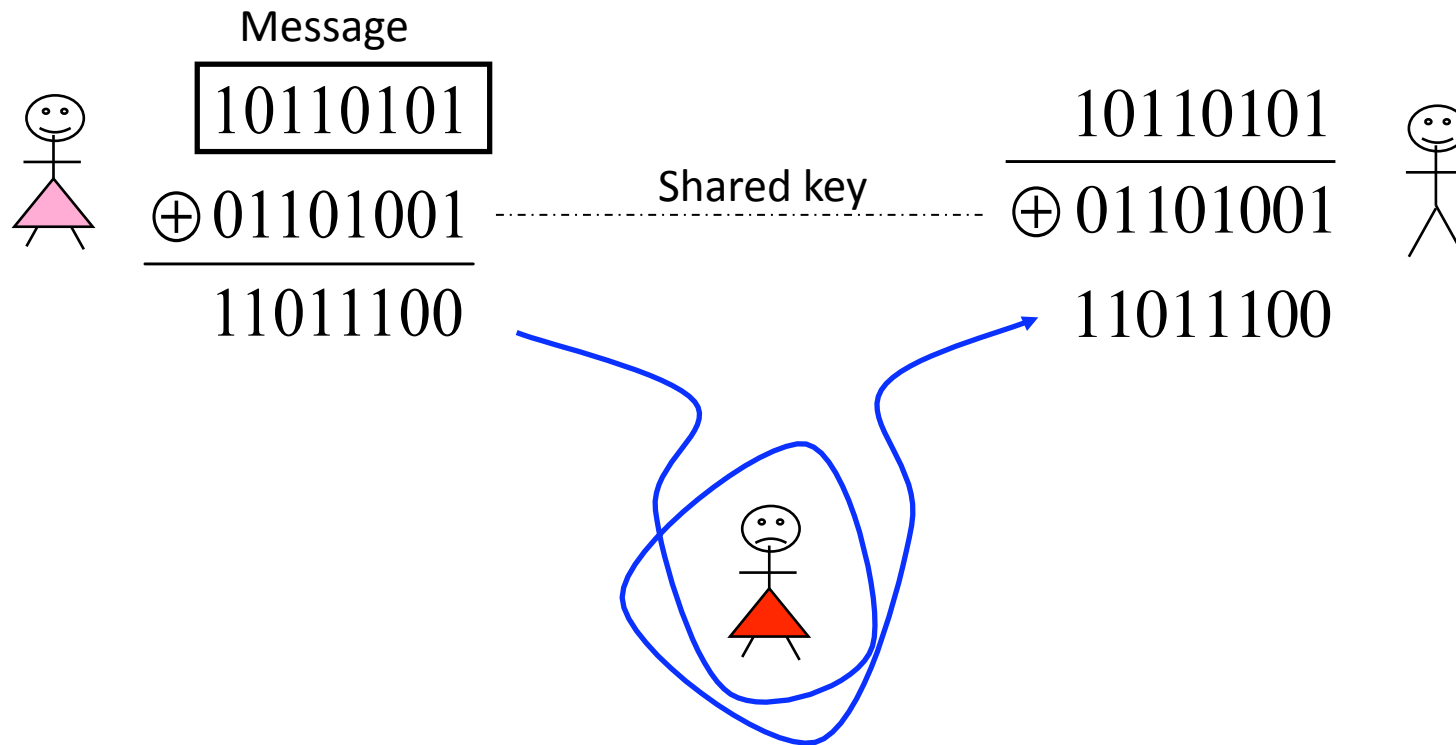


# Outline

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- The one-time pad: classical and quantum
  - Argument from measure concentration
- Superdense coding: from bits to qubits
  - Reduction to Dvoretzky  
(Almost Euclidean subspaces of Schatten  $\ell_p$ )
- More one-time pad:
  - Exponential (and more) reduction in key size
  - Decomposing  $\ell_1(\ell_2)$  into a direct sum of almost Euclidean subspaces

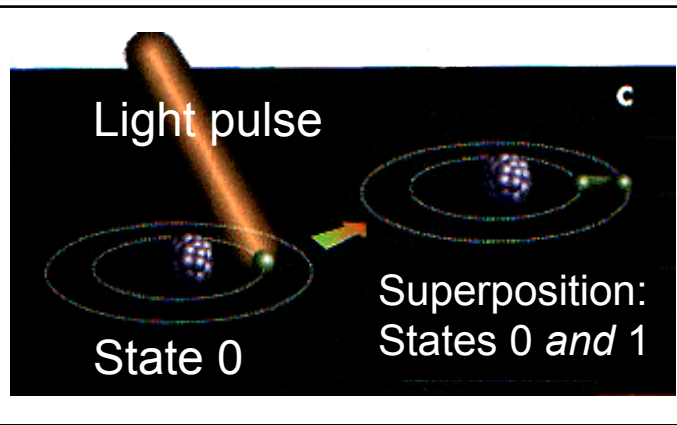
# One-time pad



1 bit of key per bit of message necessary and sufficient [Shannon49]

Set

tion as...



$|1\rangle$

$|0\rangle + |1\rangle$

$|0\rangle$

*One qubit:  $\mathbb{C}^2$*

$|1\rangle|0\rangle$

$|0\rangle|1\rangle$

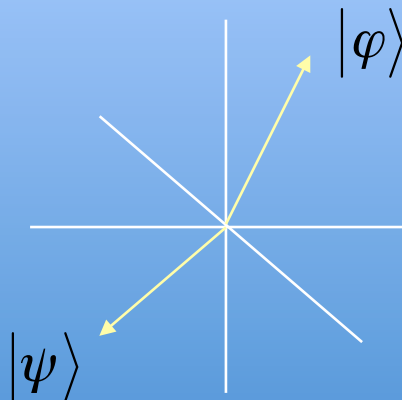
$|1\rangle|1\rangle ?$

$|0\rangle|0\rangle$

*Two qubits:  $\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$*

(Unit) Vectors are to  
quantum information.

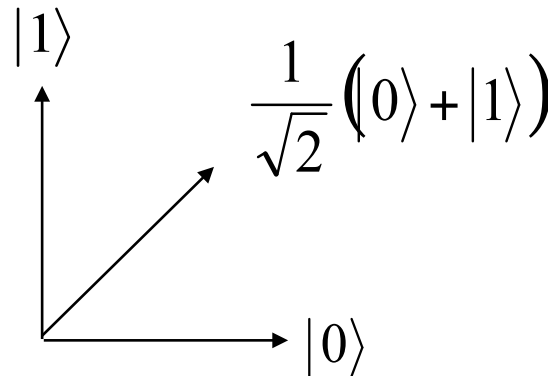
# Distinguishability



$|\langle\varphi|\psi\rangle|$  measures the extent to which  
 $|\varphi\rangle$  and  $|\psi\rangle$  are distinguishable.

# Physical operations...

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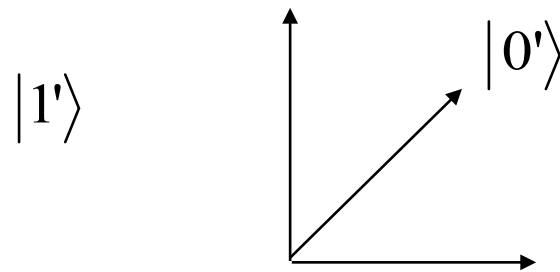


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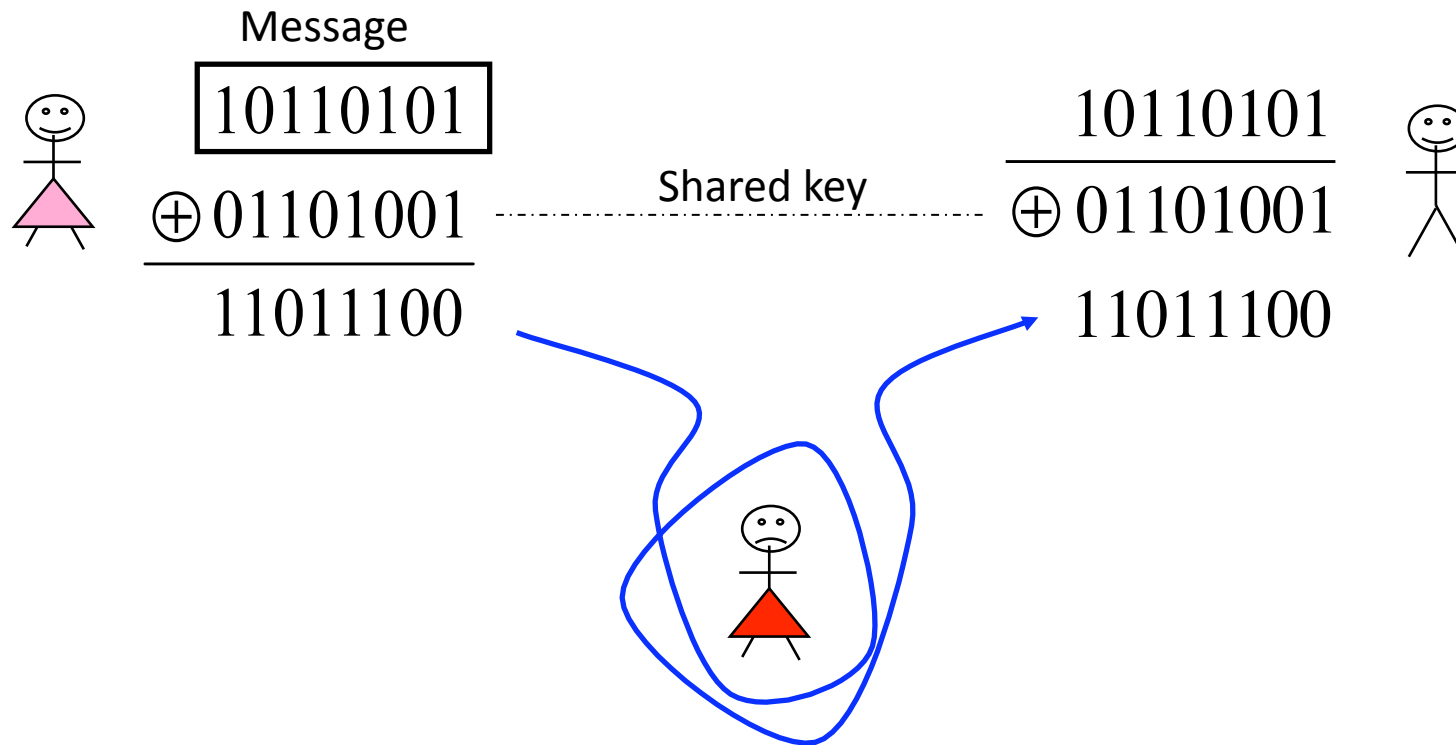
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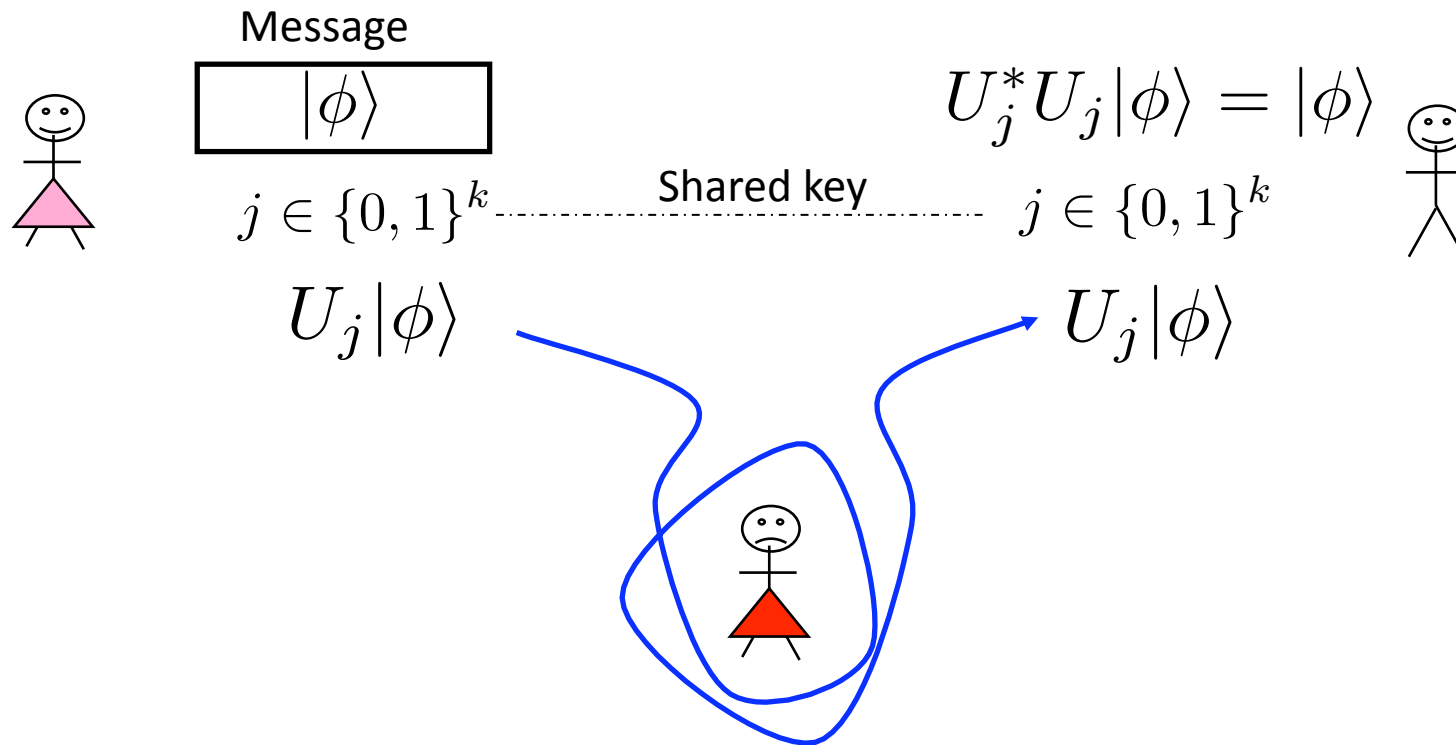
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# Quantum one-time pad

$$\forall |\phi\rangle \in (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$$



Security criterion: For all Hermitian  $X$ ,  $\frac{1}{2^k} \sum_j U_j X U_j^* = I \cdot \text{tr}(X)/2^n$

Minimal key length:  $k = 2n$

# Approximate quantum one-time pad

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$\epsilon$ -approximate security criterion:

For all Hermitian  $X \geq 0, \text{tr}(X) = 1$   $\left\| \frac{1}{2^k} \sum_j U_j X U_j^* - I/2^n \right\|_1 \leq \epsilon$

- Can achieve using  $n + \log(1/\epsilon^2)$  bits of key
  - Reduction of factor 2 over exact security
- Proof:
  - Select  $\{U_j\}$  i.i.d. according to Haar measure on  $U(2^n)$
  - Use net on set of  $\{X\}$

*Schatten norms:* if  $X$  has singular values  $s = (s_i)$ , then  $\|X\|_p := \|s\|_p$ .

**APPROXIMATE ENCRYPTION:  
MORE LATER...**

# Measuring entanglement

*Entanglement:* nonlocal content of a quantum state (normalized vector)

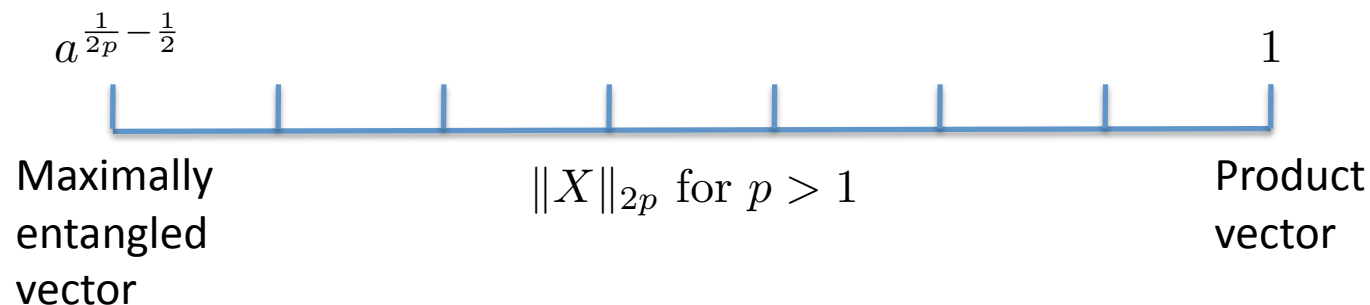
If  $x \in \mathbb{C}^a \otimes \mathbb{C}^b$ , nonlocal content is orbit of  $x$  under  $U(\mathbb{C}^a) \times U(\mathbb{C}^b)$ .

$$x \mapsto (V \otimes W)x$$

Expand  $x = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^b x_{ij} e_i \otimes f_j$  using orthonormal bases.

If  $X = (x_{ij})$ , then  $X \mapsto VXW^t$  so orbits are labeled by singular values of  $X$ .

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# Dvoretzky's theorem à la Milman

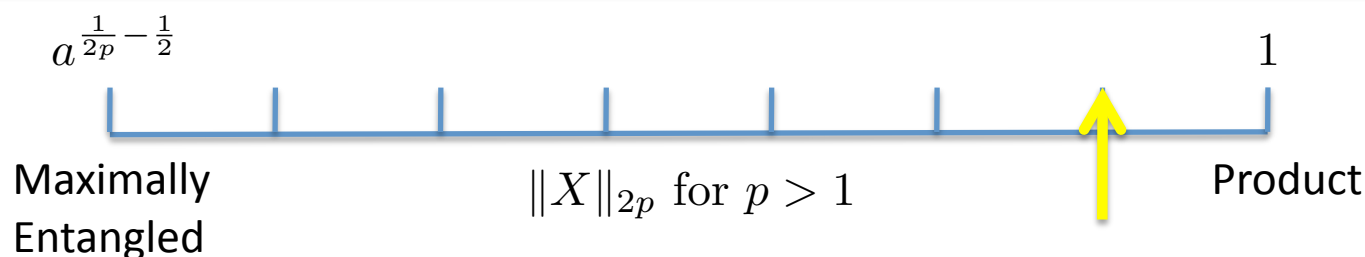
If  $a \leq b$ , a randomly chosen subspace  $S \subset \mathbb{C}^a \otimes \mathbb{C}^b$  of dimension  $m \leq c\epsilon^2 a^{1/p} b$  will be such that

$$\|X\|_{2p} \leq (1 + \epsilon) a^{\frac{1}{2p} - \frac{1}{2}} (1 + 3\sqrt{a/b}) \|X\|_2$$

for all  $X \in S$ .

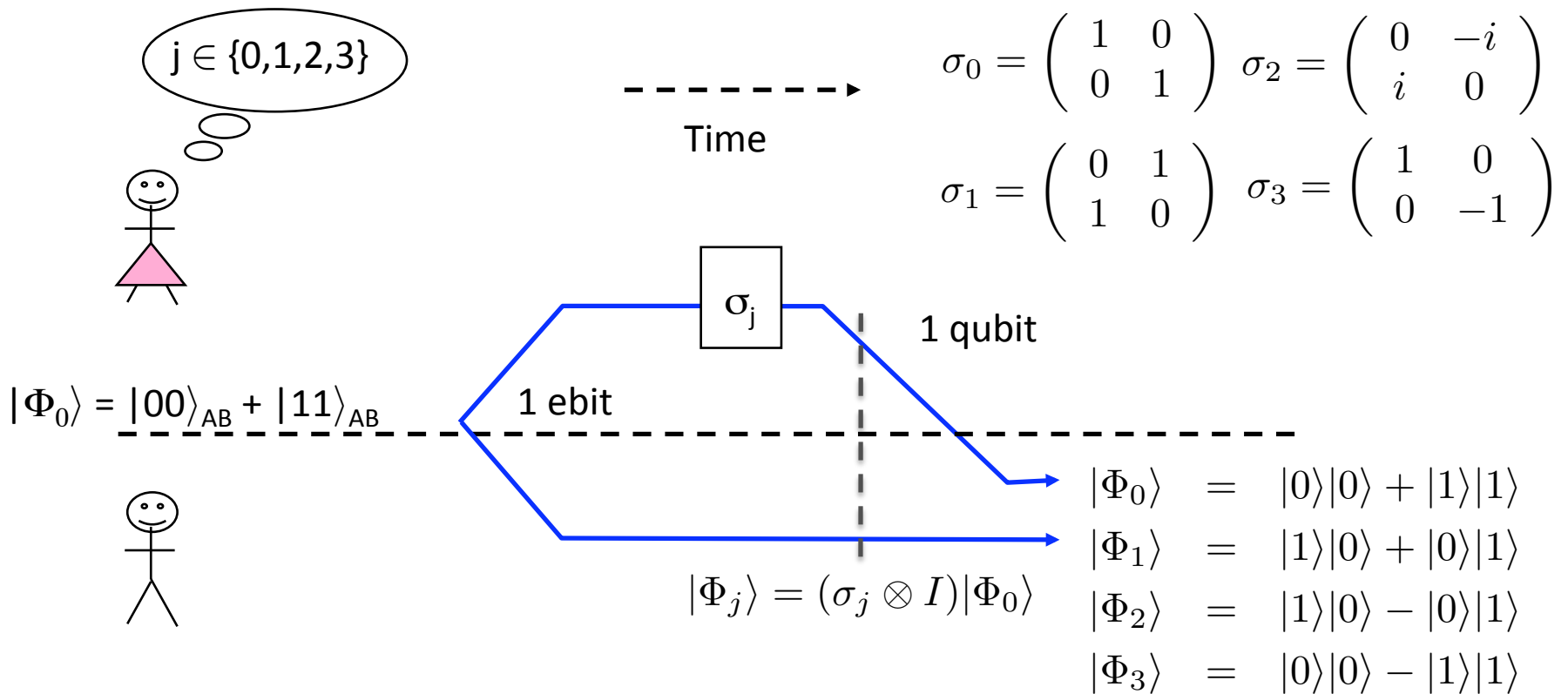
Choose  $b = a/\delta$  and restrict to normalized vectors (quantum states).

$$\|X\|_{2p} \leq (1 + \epsilon) a^{\frac{1}{2p} - \frac{1}{2}} (1 + 3\sqrt{\delta}).$$



For  $p$  approaching 1, subspace  $S$  is all but constant number of qubits.

# Superdense coding



Bob receives one of four orthogonal (distinguishable!) states depending on Alice's action

1 ebit + 1 qubit  $\geq$  2 cbits

[Bennett-Wiesner 92]

# Superdense coding of arbitrary quantum states

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Suppose that Alice can send Bob an arbitrary 2 qubit state by sharing an ebit and physically transmitting 1 qubit.

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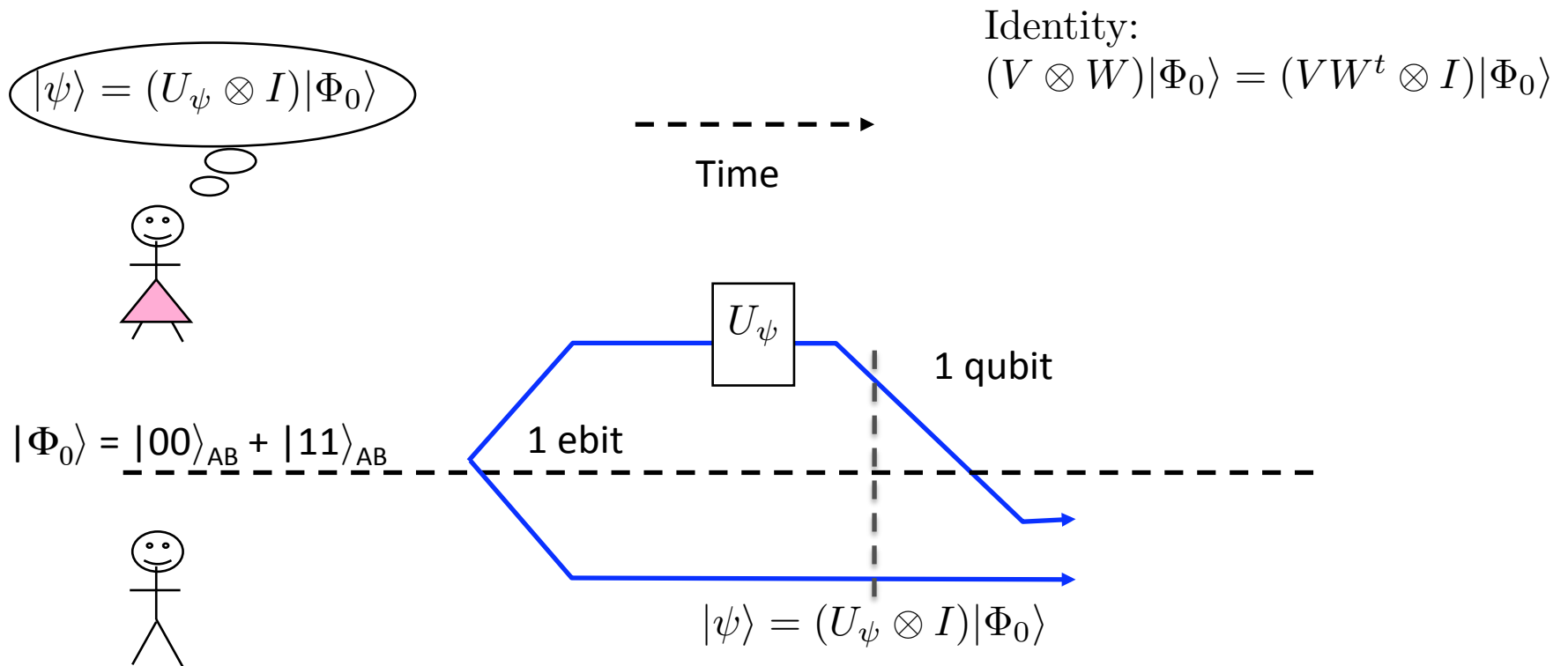
$$2 \text{ qubits} + 2 \text{ ebits} \geq 4 \text{ qubits}$$

Substitute:  $(1 \text{ qubit} + 1 \text{ ebit}) + 2 \text{ ebits} \geq 4 \text{ qubits}$   
 $1 \text{ qubit} + 3 \text{ ebits} \geq 4 \text{ qubits}$

$$\text{Repeat: } 1 \text{ qubit} + (2^k - 1) \text{ ebits} \geq 2^k \text{ qubits}$$

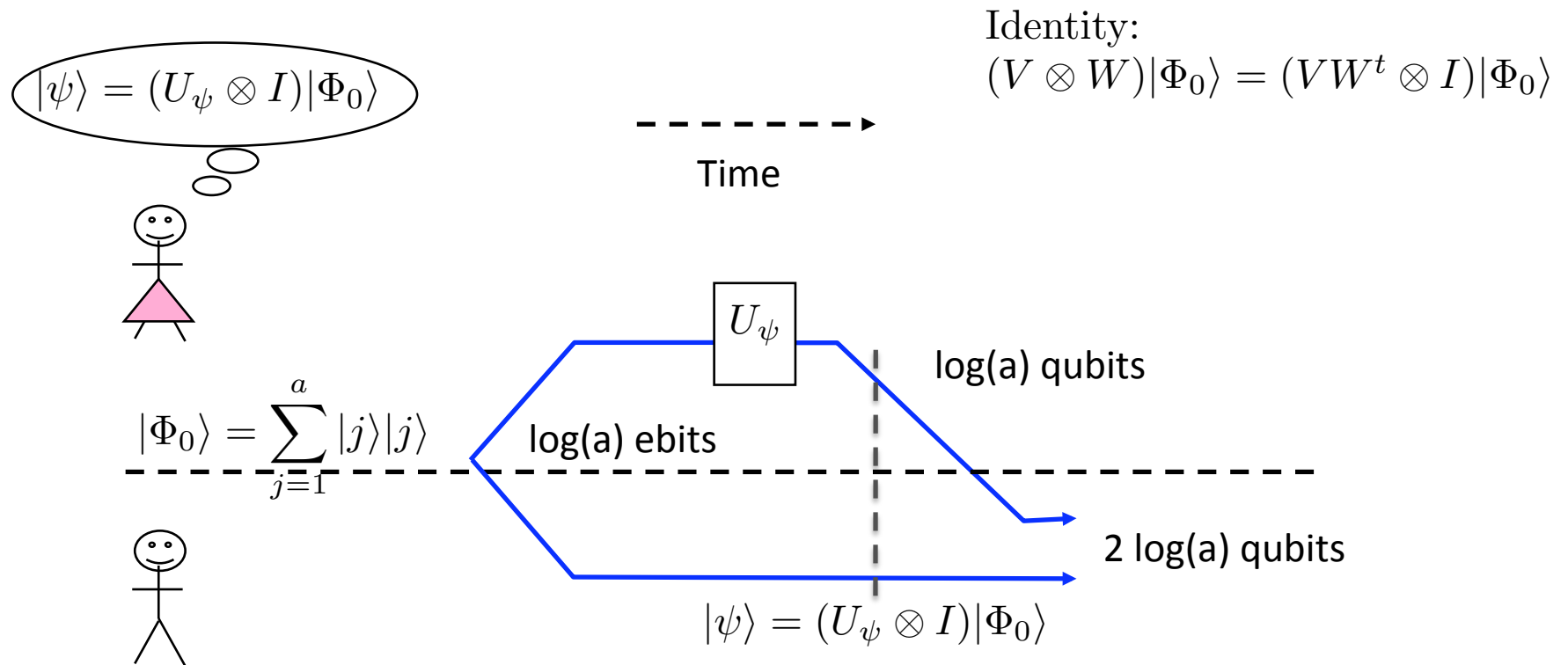


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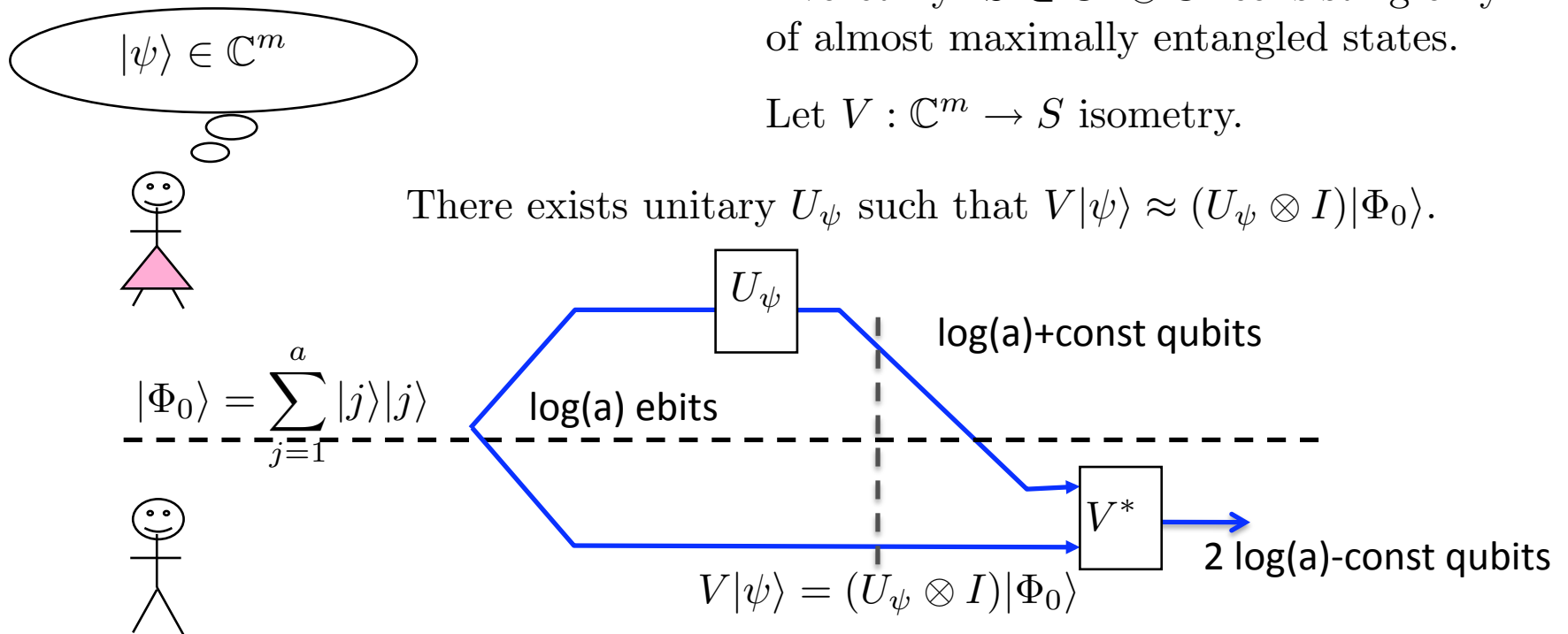
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Let  $V : \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow S$  isometry.

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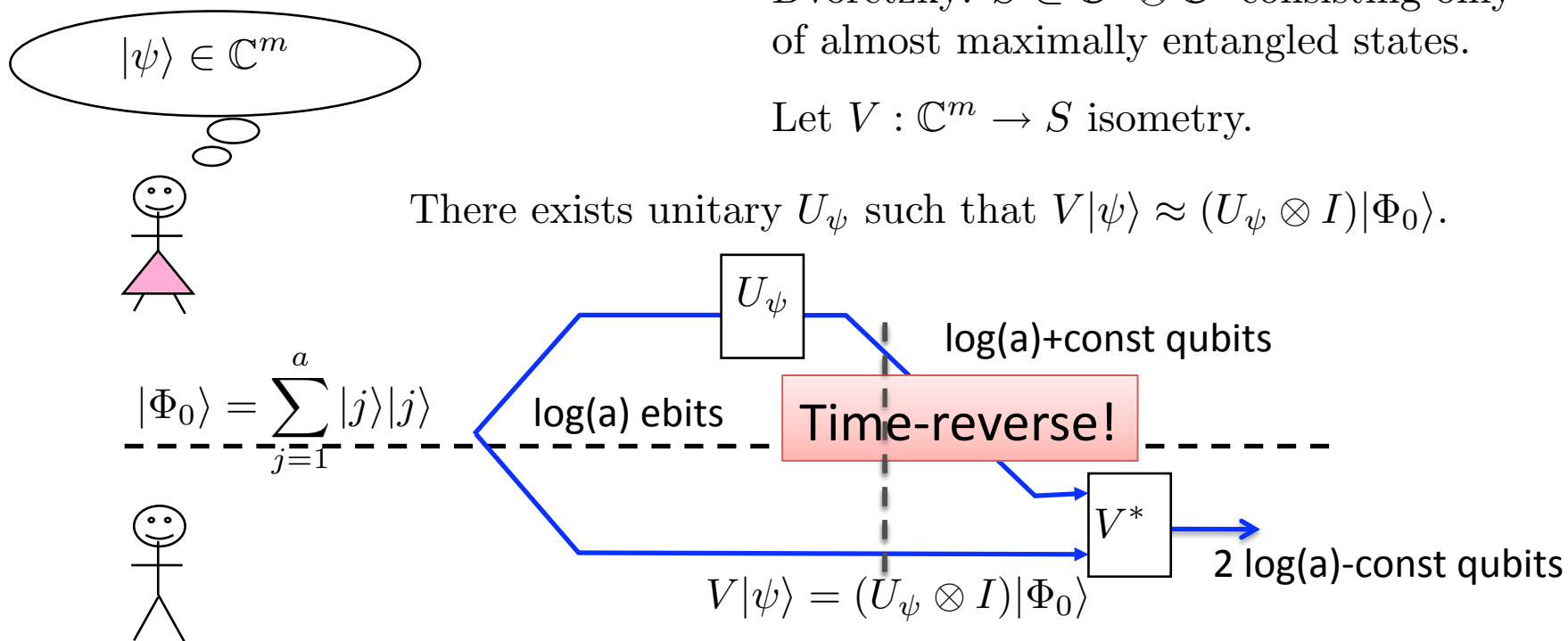


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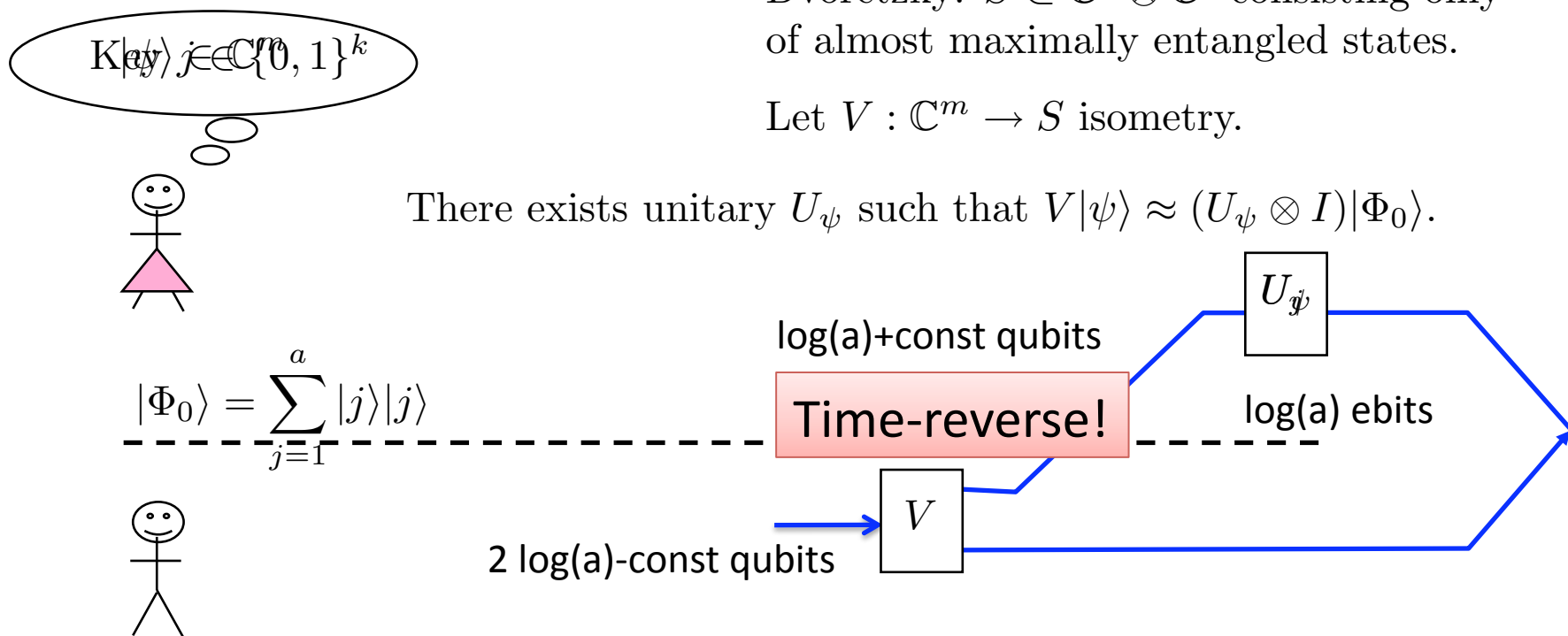
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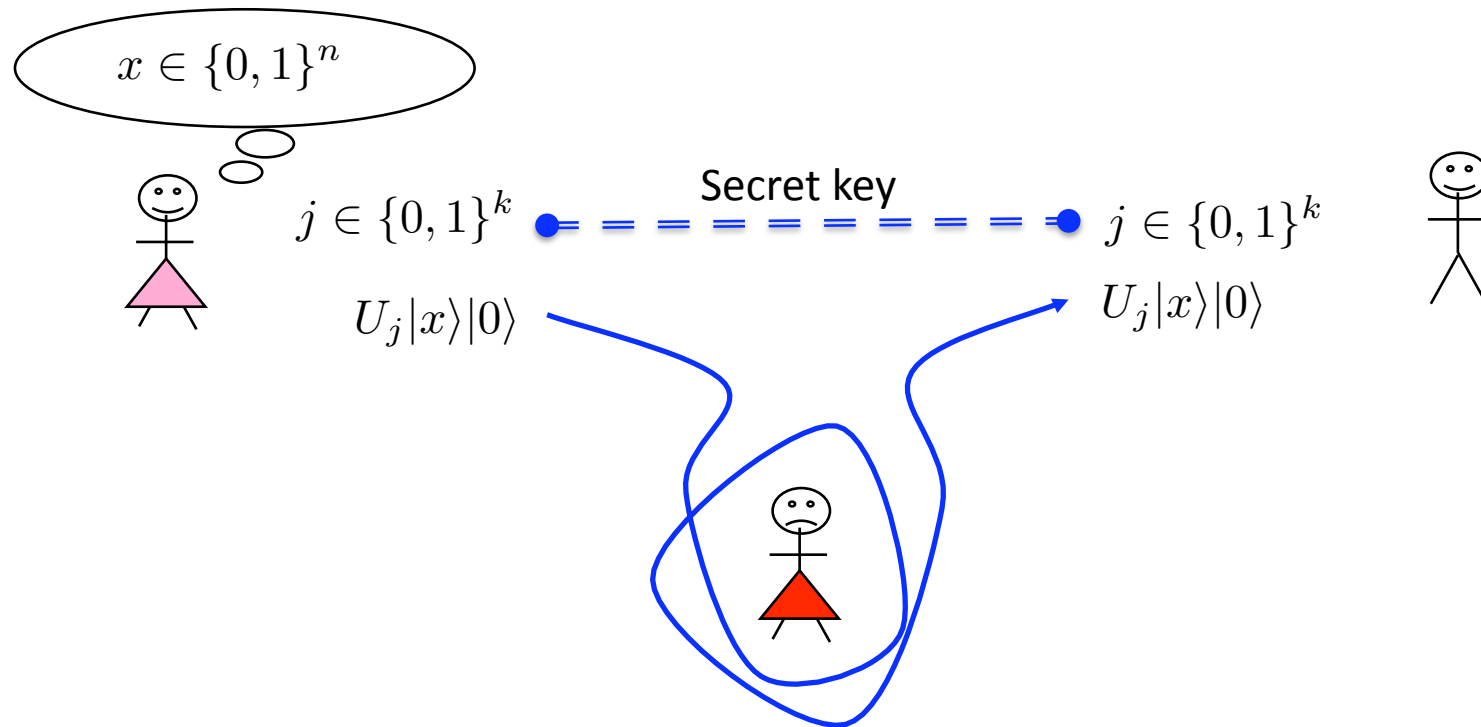
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$\{U_j\}$  forms a perfect quantum one-time pad:  
Total key required is  $2 \times (\log(a) + \text{const})$ .

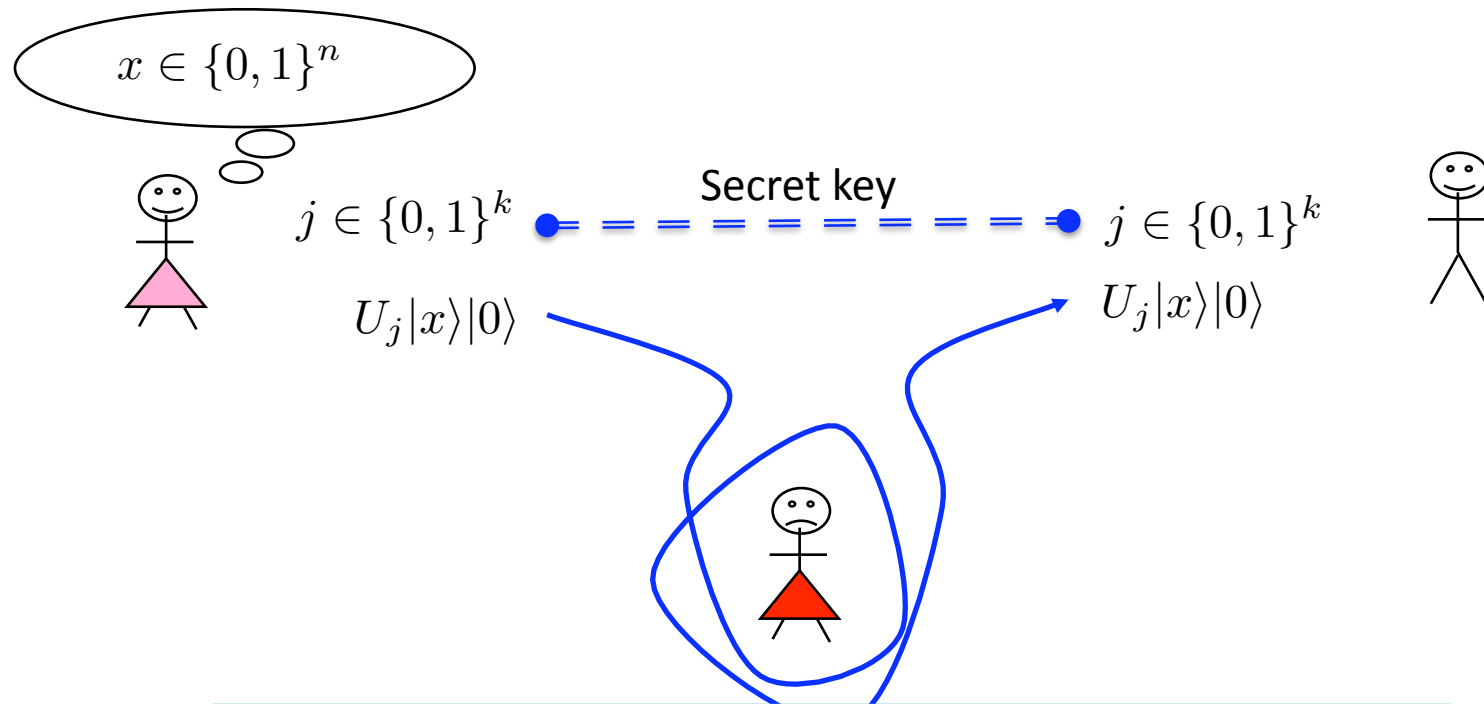
# Encrypting classical bits in quantum states



*Strongest security:* for any pair of messages  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , Eve cannot distinguish the encrypted  $x_1$  from the encrypted  $x_2$ . (TV  $\leq \delta$ )

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*Colossal key reduction:* Can take  $k = O(\log 1/\delta)$ .  
Proof: Choose  $\{U_j\}$  i.i.d. using Haar measure, no ancilla.  
Adversarial argument for all measurements complicated.

[HLSW03],  
[Dupuis-H-Leung10],  
[Fawzi-H-Sen10]

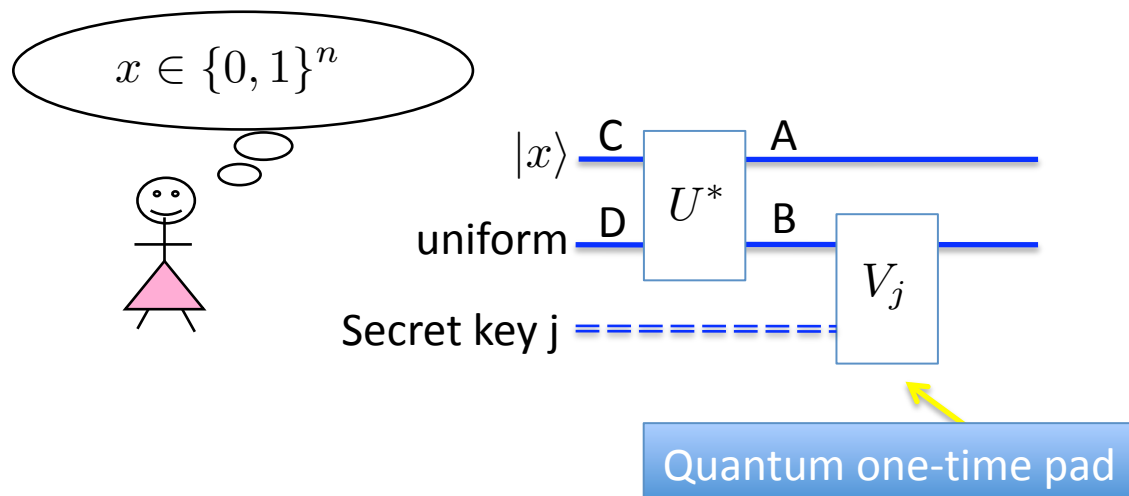
# Quantum encryption of cbits:

## Connection to $\ell_1(\ell_2)$

Imagine  $U : A \otimes B \rightarrow C \otimes D$  is unitary such that each  $V_k : A \rightarrow C \otimes D$  given by  $V_k|\phi\rangle = U|\phi\rangle|k\rangle$  and  $|\phi\rangle \in A$  satisfy

$$\|V_k|\phi\rangle\|_{1,2} \geq (1 - \epsilon)\sqrt{\dim C} \|V_k|\phi\rangle\|_2.$$

Each  $V_k$  gives a low-distortion embedding of  $\ell_2$  into  $\ell_1(\ell_2)$ .



Proof that this works is an easy calculation. (Really!)

Leads to key size  $O(\log 1/\epsilon)$  with ancilla of size  $O(\log n + \log 1/\epsilon)$

# Explicit constructions!

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- Adapt [Indyk07] construction of  $\ell_2$  into  $\ell_1(\ell_2)$  to produce a *quantum algorithm* for the encoding and decoding.
- Recursively applies mutually unbiased bases and extractors.
- Build Indyk embedding from an explicit sequence of 2-qubit unitaries.
- Procedure uses number of gates polynomial in number of bits  $n$ . (Indyk algorithm runs in time  $\exp(O(n))$ .)
- Get key size  $O(\log^2(n) + \log(n)\log(1/\epsilon))$ .
- Also gives efficient constructions of:
  - Bases violating strong entropic uncertainty relations
  - Efficient protocols for string commitment
  - Efficient encoding for quantum identification over cbit channels

# Summary

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- Basic problems in quantum information theory can be interpreted as norm embedding problems:
  - Approximate quantum one-time pad
  - Existence of highly entangled subspaces
  - Quantum encryption of classical data
  - **Additivity conjecture!** (Not even mentioned)
- Formulating problems this way simplifies proofs *and* allows application of known explicit constructions

# Open problems

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- Explicit constructions for embedding  $\ell_2$  into Schatten  $\ell_p$ ?
- Why do all these results boil down to variations on Dvoretzky?
  - What other great theorems should quantum information theorists know?